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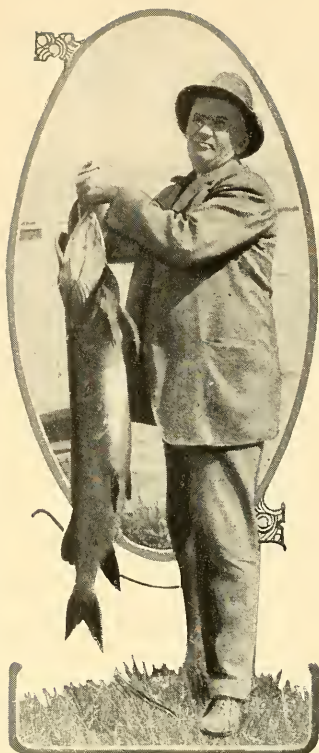




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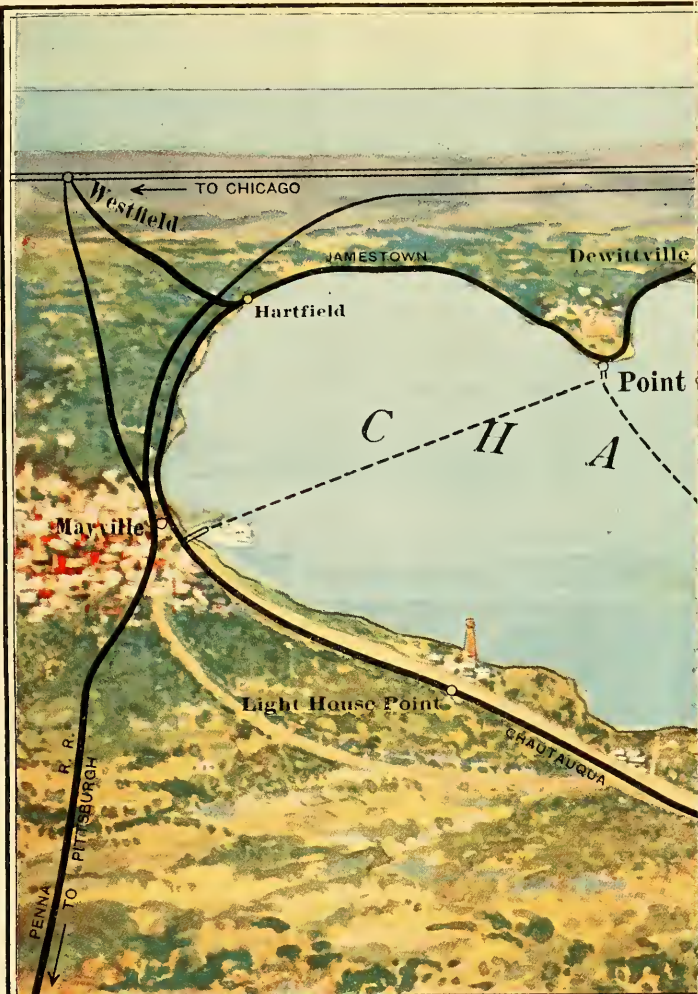


A MUSCALLONGE
FROM CHAUTAUQUA LAKE

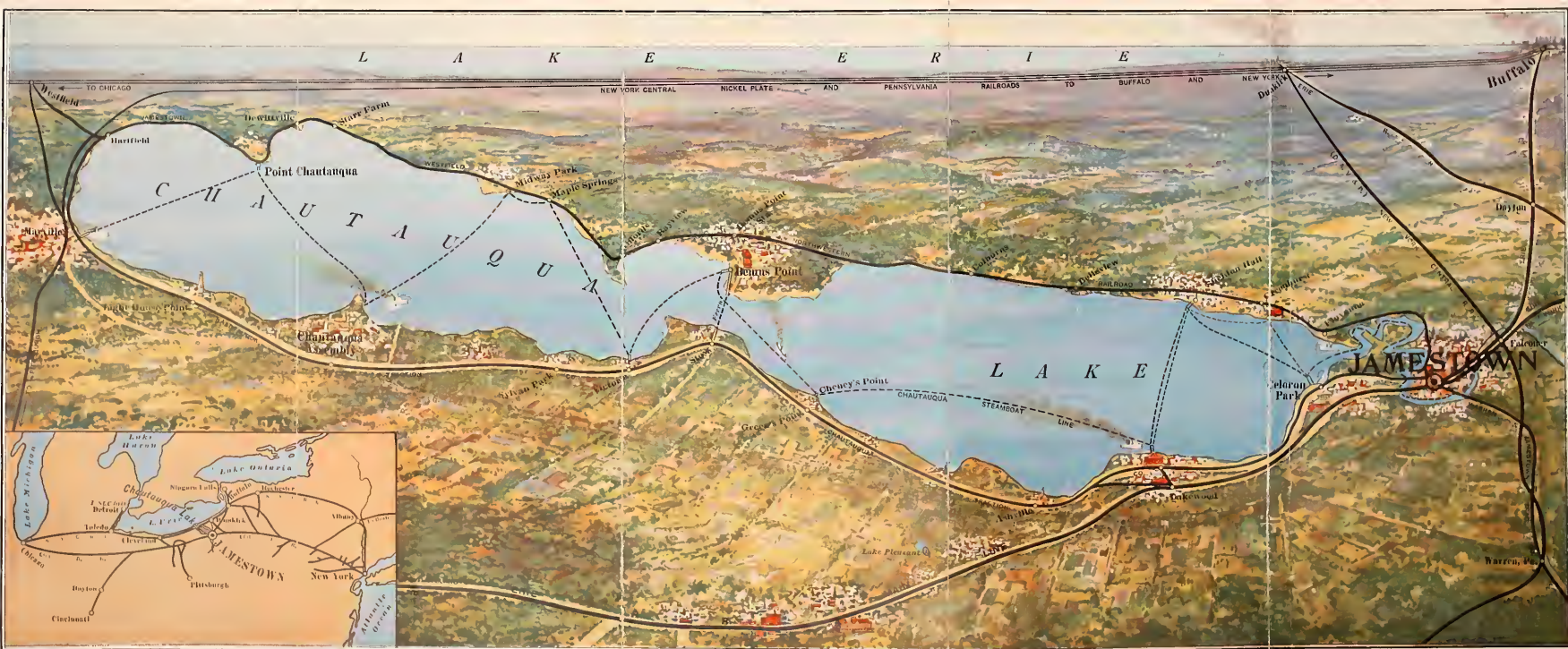
MONG the hills of southwestern New York lies what many travelers have called "the most beautiful lake in the world," famous for fifty years as a summer resort. Chautauqua Lake has many advantages that endear it to the hearts of all who visit its shores. But a short distance away one may live in almost primeval wilds and still be within a few minutes' ride by boat or trolley of a modern, progressive city with all a city's advantages. There is no other lake in all the world where one can so combine the pleasures of the care-free summer resort with all that is best in the world of art, of letters, of education, of science, of

music, of statesmanship. The location upon its banks of the great Chautauqua Institution crowns Chautauqua Lake with an unique distinction. Between Jamestown, the city of commerce and industry, at the southern end, and Chautauqua, the community of "culture-in-the-woods," at the other, the summer visitor to this wonderful lake need never suffer that ennui that so often follows one during visits to lakes that lack distinctive features.

Environment. Nestling between surrounding hills, with banks rising high and dry, Chautauqua Lake lies eight hundred feet above Lake Erie although only eight miles away. The second highest body of navigable water in North America, 1,308 feet above sea-level, the Chautauqua region enjoys a climate found nowhere else in the United States. Mosquitoes and malaria, those two enemies to waterside enjoyment, are conspicuously lacking—the first seldom and the latter never found. Chautauqua Lake is on the summit of the eastern watershed, from which one may catch a view of the waters of Chautauqua and at the same time see the gleam of Lake Erie's blue lying far below. On this watershed is some of the most beautiful scenery to be found in the eastern United States. Great hills







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Environment. Nestling between surrounding hills, the banks are high and dry. Chautauqua Lake lies about 1,000 feet above Lake Erie although only a few miles away. The second highest body of navigable water in North America, 1,200 feet above sea-level, the lake is a region where a climate found nowhere else in the United States. Mosquitoes and malaria, those enemies of waterside enjoyment, are conspicuous only in the first wisdom and the latter never visit Chautauqua Lake. On the summit of the watershed, from which one may catch a view of the lake and at the same time see the city of Chautauqua and at the same time see the city of Lake Erie, the lake lies far below. On this side of the lake the most beautiful scenery to be found in the eastern United States. Great hills

there are down which one may look to seemingly bottomless space with a glimpse here and there of chasms of solid rock or a waterfall so hidden from view as to bring to the observer all the delights of origial discovery.

A day or a week spent among these wooded hills and caoyons will be an experience unique in any life. Here one may enjoy all the pleasures of "roughing-it" with the wildest of wild-west settings and still possess the comfortable knowledge that just a gunshot away the steamboats and trolley cars are running to and fro connecting with civilization. Here in the great world of "make-believe" the Nature lover may camp in solitude, living over again the tales of Indian life and warfare, of



CHAUTAUQUA - BEMUS LAKE - JAMESTOWN

early colonial days, camping on the very sites of old-time bivouacs, following with rod or camera the Indian trails of old. Yet amidst all these seventeenth century surroundings, the camper may, if he wishes, row across the lake and within an hour be deep in the enjoyment of some great orchestra or the music of one of the world's famous prima donnas.

Accommodations. But all the environments of Chautauqua Lake are not of the primeval. At Bemus Point, at Point Chautauqua, and a number of other places on both sides of the lake, summer hotels at the most reasonable rates provide surroundings of comfort and pleasure. Cottages may be secured at almost any point around the lake or camps may be made where both privacy and the pleasure of congenial companionship will be available. During the summer season, special rates from all points to Chautauqua add to the

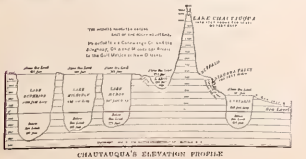


IN THE CHADAKOIN RIVER ON THE WAY TO JAMESTOWN

desirability of this lake as an annual summer home. Upon request the secretary of the Jamestown Board of Commerce will gladly mail a booklet containing the names and rates of hotels and boarding houses, or furnish any information that may be desired.

Location. A glance at the bird's-eye map will give a clear idea of the Chautauqua region. Between the northernmost end of the lake and the village of Westfield is a wild and rugged country. Here the land slopes away abruptly to Lake Erie and the famous Chautauqua County grape belt, dropping off nearly a thousand feet in six miles. Over these hills wind the two modern, high speed electric lines that connect Jamestown with the New York Central system. To make the grades, they circle and wind through deep ravines or along the edge of wooded canyons. When these roads reach Chautauqua Lake, they skirt the shores for a distance of more than twenty miles, making one of the most attractive and enchanting of scenic routes.

Accessibility. It is this ease with which Chautauqua Lake may be reached that adds to its attractiveness. Within a night's ride of almost any of the cities of the East and Central States, Chautauqua Lake lies between the main lines of the Erie Railroad and the New York Central and Nickel Plate systems. Connecting these trunk lines on each side of the lake are the hourly cars of the Chautauqua Traction and the



Jamestown, Westfield and Northwestern electric systems. The Pennsylvania Railroad from Buffalo and Pittsburgh connects with both of these interurbans at Mayville and with the Jamestown and Warren electric at Warren. Buffalo with its numerous train connections is but two hours away.

Sports. At Lakewood the country club with tennis, dancing and kindred amusements, is available for season members and guests. The Chadakoin boat club provides a series of inter-city and club sailboat races each week of the summer. Some of the fastest boats of the East annually compete for the cups offered by the Chadakoin club. The number of high-speed motor



BOAT LANDING AT CHAUTAUQUA INSTITUTION

boats is annually increasing and exciting races are held each summer. At Chautauqua a very fine nine-hole golf course is to be found where devotees of this game may follow the elusive gutta-percha for a small club fee. Tennis courts are also maintained at Point Chautauqua, Bemus Point, Chautauqua and various other communities around the lake. All of these places may be reached from any other point on the lake by motor boat, by steamboat service, by trolley cars or by automobile highways. Chautauqua Lake is noted for its muscal-longe fishing—a State hatchery at Bemus Point keeping the lake stocked continually. Forty-five pound muskies have been caught, while little ones of twenty pounds are hooked so frequently they are no longer bragged about. The gunny bass provides splendid sport.

Jamestown. The port of entry for Chautauqua Lake is Jamestown. Here is a city of nearly forty thousand people with exceptionally fine hotels and with



BOATING IS A POPULAR CHAUTAUQUA SPORT

splendid stores. Its large furniture and worsted factories and mills are points of great interest to the visitor. Jamestown is the center of the metal furniture and interior door and trim industry. Steamboats from every point on Chautauqua Lake leave every hour during the summer months—a fifty-mile round-trip with a fare varying from thirty-five to twenty cents. From the lower end of the lake these boats pass through the Chadakoin River—a winding, wooded stream that provides the most delightful ride imaginable right into the heart of the city of Jamestown. On these steamboats one may enjoy, for the low fare mentioned, an entire afternoon's ride with the privilege of stopping off at any point until the next boat. By moonlight, this steamboat ride is one of the most beautiful of journeys.

Amusements. At Celoron Park, Jamestown has one of the best amusement resorts on any inland lake. Here in a fine theatre built, for coolness, on piers over the lake, the best vaudeville talent available gives daily performances. In addition to all the concessions found in the very best of amusement parks, outdoor concerts are given every afternoon and evening by one of the best military bands in the country. There are outdoor theatres in which the latest moving pictures are given, exhibits of trained animals, vaudeville "stunts," balloon ascensions, etc. Not only is there no charge for admission to the park but all of the outdoor entertainments are free to all. On special occasions a number of expensive and impressive exhibits of fire works are given on



PATHEON BEACHES AROUND

the lake. An excellent bathing beach is provided at Celoron with toboggan slides and other paraphernalia.

Automobiling. A State highway of cement and brick is being constructed around Chautauqua Lake and several miles are now open to traffic. This provides one of the most beautiful boulevard drives in America. The highway is seldom out of sight of the waters of the lake and in many places follows the beach for miles. This highway connects with the main transcontinental route at Westfield and provides a fifty-mile detour that will never be forgotten. Garages will be found at Mayville, Chautauqua, Lakewood, Bemus Point and Jamestown. Side trips may be taken to some of the most picturesque



COUNTRY CLUB AND TENNIS COURTS—CHADAKOIN BOAT CLUB AT THE RIGHT

scenery in the entire country. At Panama Rocks, formed by glacial deposit or drift, but a few miles from Asheville, are great gorges and caves of solid rock. Some of these are so deep and so hidden that snow is found in them in hottest summer. Excellent highways lead down into Pennsylvania along the Allegheny River that abound in scenic vistas that defy adequate description. The State highway to Buffalo is a very attractive drive.

How to Locate. Those who wish to spend a summer or a day at Chautauqua Lake should first come to Jamestown. Here excellent hotels at most reasonable rates will provide a home while exactly the right place on the lake is being sought that will please the individual taste. Using Jamestown as a base, it becomes unnecessary to conduct a long and tiresome search by correspondence for accommodations. Come to Jamestown at any time without notice and from pleasant rooms in



DINING ROOM, HOTEL SAMUELSON, JAMESTOWN

this city proceed to find the one particular place on Chautauqua Lake that most appeals to you.

Chautauqua Institution. Chautauqua Lake is the home of the original institution of that name—an institution which to-day has spread to every State in the Union and even to far-off countries like Russia and Japan. Until to-day 3,000 "Chautauquas" are held annually throughout the world. Each year this institution is the Mecca of thousands who desire to combine rational recreation with the exceptional opportunities for study offered. Besides lectures by men of international reputation on government, religion, business, education, science and arts and general courses, there are special courses for teachers and college preparation, chorus and orchestra work. Supervised by Dr. Anderson of Yale and Dr. Sharpe of Cornell, the facilities for general physical training and gymnastics, and instruction in football, baseball, track and crew work, are unusual.

Chautauqua, Chautauqua Lake and Jamestown—a combination for health, pleasure and self-development that can be found nowhere else in all the world.



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